# COLORADO RETAIL SALES TAX RETURN

The state and RTD/CD/FD service fee rate is 2.22% for timely returns due on or after July 1, 2011.

### GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS The state sales tax rate is 2.9%

Rounding Instructions: All entries of state and local taxes on this sales tax return must be rounded to the nearest dollar. You will still collect and keep track of exact amounts of sales tax. Books, records and statements or invoices to buyers must reflect actual tax amounts. It is only when you fill out this return that you round the numbers you are reporting. Your sales tax remittance must not differ from the exact amount of tax collected by more than 50 cents. Round amounts under 50 cents down to 0 (zero) cents. Increase amounts from 50 to 99 cents to the next dollar.

A return must be filed even if there is no tax due. If there is no tax due in an applicable column, you MUST ENTER THE NUMBER 0 in that column. Failure to enter zeros will result in the issuance of an automatic estimated tax due notice.

Changes or Closures: If you move, change your mailing address, change your business or trade name, or are no longer in business, you must inform the Department of Revenue of such changes by completing the change or closure form DR 1102 "Business Tax Account Change or Closure Form." If the business ownership changes, the new owner cannot use the previous owner's reporting forms. The new owner must apply for his/her own Colorado Account Number and personalized forms.

**Records:** Copies of your completed sales tax return and records of both purchases and sales, including sales invoices and purchase orders, must be retained for a period of three years. The burden of proof for exempt sales rests with the seller. Records must be open for inspection by authorized representatives of the Executive Director, Department of Revenue.

All sums of money paid by the purchaser to the seller as taxes shall be and remain public money, as property of the taxing jurisdiction. The seller should always maintain sufficient records of payment.

Amended Return: If you are filing an amended return, you are required to check the amended return box. A separate amended return must be filed for each period. The amended return must show all tax columns as corrected, not merely the difference(s). The amended return will replace the original return in its entirety.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Colorado Department of Revenue Denver CO 80261-0013 (303) 238-SERV (7378) www.TaxColorado.com



Colorado Department of Revenue Tax Forms, Information and E-Services

### E-Services for Businesses

You can now file and pay your sales tax online. No pre-registration is required. Visit www.Colorado.gov/salestax to get started.

The following services are centrally accessible at www.TaxColorado.com under "Online Services." In September, look for these services under "Revenue Online."

**Sales Tax Account History** — See your tax account payments going back three years. You'll need your account number to obtain a PIN for security purposes.

**Sales Tax ZeroFile** — Safely and easily file a Colorado Sales Tax form (DR 0100) for state and state-collected local sales tax when you have zero net sales (line 3 of form DR 0100) and no sales tax due. Any filing period type (monthly, quarterly, annual and seasonal) is eligible. Retailers with only one location and no payment due may use the system. Also available by calling (303) 205-TAX0 (8290).

Local Taxes By Address — Enter a business address to find local sales/use tax jurisdictions that apply to that location.

The following services are available on both the TaxColorado.com Web site and by phone at (303) 238-FAST (3278).

**Local Sales Tax Rates** — A fast way to find sales tax rates for ANY local jurisdiction.

**Sales Tax License Verification** — Confirm whether one or more Colorado sales tax licenses or exemption certificates are valid. If you have a sales tax license or exemption certificate number, you can find this information quickly.

Retailers' Sales Tax Rates — Check on the sales tax rates at your specific business location(s).

**Multi-Location Sales Tax eFile** — Colorado retailers with multiple locations can upload an electronic sales tax return. *Visit www.colorado.gov/salestax* for more information. www.TaxColorado.com

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- → The state service fee rate is .0222 (2.22 percent) for timely returns due on or after July 1, 2011.
- ▶ You must report gross sales and net sales for ALL applicable taxing jurisdictions on your return.
- ⇒ Special district taxes include RTD 1.0%, scientific and cultural district .1%, the metropolitan football stadium district (FD) at .1%, Rural Transportation Authority (RTA), with various rates per district.
- ➡ Return MUST be filed even when no tax is due. Enter the number 0 (zero) in all applicable columns.
- You must provide the account specific information: Date, Phone Number, Name, Due Date, Account Number, and Filing Period.
- Complete both sides of the worksheet for your records.
- → Make check payable to the Colorado Department of Revenue.
- ➡ If you remit by EFT, you must call before 4:00 p.m. Mountain Time on the due date. Please remember to mark the EFT box before mailing in the form. A complete and accurate form must be made and submitted by the due date or be subject to late filing penalty and interest charges.
- Mail the remittance copy and check to the address listed below.

Returns must be filed with the **COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**, **DENVER**, **CO 80261-0013** *on* or *before* the 20th day of the month following the close of the tax period. Mailed returns must be postmarked the 20th day of the month or before.

The law provides severe penalties for any violation of the sales tax laws. Methods of enforcement, as defined in the regulations, include liens which are satisfied before all other claims on real and personal property of the taxpayer or property used by the seller. Continued delinquency will result in seizure and sale of the property under distraint warrant.

## SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS FOR SALES TAX RETURN

- **LINE 1: Enter the total amount of money received** from all sales and services, including taxable and nontaxable sales and collections of bad debts previously deducted. Do not include the amount of sales tax collected.
- LINE 2A: Enter the amount of sales to other licensed dealers. Keep documentation for verification of these sales.
- LINE 2B: Enter the amount of any other deductions. These deductions should be itemized on the copy you keep for your records.
- **LINE 3:** The net sales amount must be entered in each column. If this amount is zero, try the Sales Tax ZeroFile service at www.taxview.state.co.us.zero and file a paperless return.
- LINE 3A: Enter the amount of sales delivered out of your taxing area.
- LINE 3B: Enter the total amount of state exemptions and any applicable local exemptions. Exemptions must be itemized on the Deductions and Exemptions Schedule of the sales tax return. Please Note: Beginning July 1, 2009, you must charge state sales tax of 2.9% on all retail sales of cigarettes. Cigarettes are still exempt from city, county and special district sales tax. Certain state sales/use tax exemptions were eliminated beginning March 1, 2010.
  - Provide the amount of exemptions for each category and enter the amount on Line 3B Exemptions. For specific information about sales tax exemptions, call the Department of Revenue at 303-238-SERV (7378) or visit the Web site at www.TaxColorado.com
- **LINE 3C:** If an overpayment of tax was made on a previous return, enter the amount of gross sales on which that tax was based. Overpayment taken here must not result in a negative amount. Tax credit can only be used against the same type of tax.
- **LINE 4:** Enter net taxable sales. Subtract the total lines 3A, 3B, and 3C from line 3 in each column. The net taxable sales amount must be entered in each column. If a column does not apply, write NA in the TAX RATE line.
- **LINE 5: Enter amount of tax** for each type of sales tax collected. Multiply the amount of line 4 by the applicable tax rates which are printed below line 4.
- **LINE 6: Enter the amount of excess tax collected.** Do not include any amounts already included in line 3c. Report the amount of any excess sales tax collected on this line.
- LINE 7: Add lines 5 and 6.
- LINE 8A: Service fee rate. A service fee is a deduction allowed for timely filed returns. It is not allowed on a delinquent return. If this rate is not shown, see Colorado Sales/Use Tax Rates (DR 1002) to determine appropriate rate. Please Note: The state service fee rate is .0222 (2.22 percent) for timely returns due on or after July 1, 2011. The RTD/CD/FD service fee rate is .0222 (2.22 percent) for all timely returns due on or after July 1, 2011.
- LINE 8B: Enter deduction for service (vendor's) fee allowed to the seller for each applicable tax. Multiply line 7 by the applicable service fee rate shown in each column. This deduction is only allowed if the complete return is filed on department-approved forms and the tax is paid on or before due date.
- LINE 10: Goods purchased tax free for resale but taken out of stock for personal or business use must be reported and sales tax paid on the items. Enter cost of goods next to the \$ sign. Then multiply that amount by the tax rate for each separate tax that applies (e.g., county, city, RTD) and enter that amount in the appropriate column. Other tax free purchases of any kind which will not be resold should be reported and taxed on the Use Tax Return (DR 0252) and/or RTA Use Tax Return (DR 0251).
- LINE 12: Penalty. Failure to file the return and pay the tax on time subjects the vendor to a penalty of 10% plus 1/2% for each additional month not to exceed 18% of the tax due.
- **LINE 13: Interest and penalty interest.** Failure to file the return and pay the tax on time subjects the vendor to interest at the prime rate effective on July 1 of the previous year and to penalty interest at the same amount. Monthly interest rate may be prorated for a part of a month. Current interest rates are available on Department of Revenue Web site, www.TaxColorado.com
- LINE 15: Add the total of ALL taxes shown in each column of line 14. Amount shown in line 15 must equal amount remitted. If paying by EFT, be sure to mark the box.

Return Check Policy—If your check is rejected due to insufficient or uncollected funds, the Department of Revenue may collect the payment amount directly from your banking account electronically.

DETACH FORM

ON THIS LINE

### COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

DENVER, CO 80261-0013 COLORADO RETAIL SALES TAX RETURN

| Deductions | and | Exem | ptions | Schedule: |
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| DC     |  | tions and Exemptions Schedule:  |                     |    |                    |    |                |      |            |        |  |  |
|--------|--|---|---------------------|----|--------------------|----|----------------|------|------------|--------|--|--|
|        | 2B   | Other Deductions must be itemize  |                     |    |                    |    | KEEP THIS FOR  | R YO | JR RECORDS |        |  |  |
|        | (1) Service sales  |   |                     |    |                    |    |                |      |            | 00     |  |  |
|        | (2)  | 2) Sales to governmental agencies, religious or charitable organizations  |                     |    |                    |    |                |      |            |        |  |  |
| ns     | (3)  | (3) Sales of gasoline   |                     |    |                    |    |                |      |            |        |  |  |
| ctio   | $\overline{(4)}$   | Sales of drugs by prescription and p                                      | rosthetic devices   |    |                    |    |                |      |            | 00     |  |  |
| ) p    |  | 5) Trade-ins for taxable resale   |                     |    |                    |    |                |      |            |        |  |  |
| ) e    |  |   |                     |    |                    |    |                |      |            |        |  |  |
| ١ĭ     | _  | (cash discounts are not allowed)  |                     |    |                    |    |                |      |            | 00     |  |  |
| Þ      | (7) Cost of utilities, excluding tax (not exempt 03/01/2010 to 06/30/2012)     |   |                     |    |                    |    |                |      |            | 00     |  |  |
| ar     |  | (8) Sales of Agricultural Compounds (not exempt 03/01/2010 to 06/30/2011) |                     |    |                    |    |                |      |            | 00     |  |  |
| -      |  |   |                     |    |                    |    |                |      |            | 00     |  |  |
| Tot    | Total add lines (1) through (9) (enter here and on line 2B of the return)Total |   |                     |    |                    |    |                |      |            |        |  |  |
|        |  | Enter total <b>State Exemptions</b> and applicat                          |                     |    |                    |    |                |      |            | 00     |  |  |
|        |  | Food, including food sold   | ole Local Exemption |    | ob. Net sales must |    | IIIIZGG DCIOW. |      |            | $\top$ |  |  |
| ns     |  | through vending machines  |                     | 00 |                    | 00 |                | 00   |            |        |  |  |
| ptions |  | Machinery   | <del>- 0</del>      | 00 | $\Theta$           | 00 | 9 9            | 00   | 40         | 00     |  |  |
| emp    |  | Electricity (See instructions - line 3B)                                  | _ 0                 | 00 |                    |    | to T           |      | <u> </u>   |        |  |  |
| Exel   | _  |   | 3 6                 | 00 |                    | 00 | <del></del>    | 00   |            | 00     |  |  |
| ۱۳     |  | Farm Equipment  |                     | 00 |                    | 00 |                | 00   |            | 00     |  |  |
| 4      |  | Pesticides  |                     | 00 |                    | 00 | 70 (7          | 00   |            | 00     |  |  |
| Part   | (6)  | Sales of low-emitting   | 67 —                |    |                    |    |                |      |            |        |  |  |
| %      | <u>-</u> -   | vehicles, etc   |                     | 00 |                    | 00 | $-\Omega =$    | 00   |            | 00     |  |  |
|        | (7)  | School related sales  |                     | 00 |                    | 00 |                | 00   |            | 00     |  |  |
|        | (8)  | - 5   |                     | 00 |                    | 00 |                | 00   | N/A        | 00     |  |  |
|        | _  | Renewable energy components.  |                     | 00 |                    | 00 |                | 00   |            | 00     |  |  |
|        |  | Other (explain)   |                     | 00 |                    | 00 |                | 00   |            | 00     |  |  |
| (      | 11)  | TOTAL (enter here and on line 3B of the return)                           |                     | 00 |                    | 00 |                | 00   |            | 00     |  |  |

The State may convert your check to a one time electronic banking transaction. Your bank account may be debited as early as the same day received by the State. If converted, your check will not be returned. If your check is rejected due to insufficient or uncollected funds, the Department of Revenue may collect the payment amount directly from your bank account electronically.

Photocopy for your records. **Cut here and send only the coupon below.** Help us save time and your tax dollars.

| Date Phone (  | ( ) Signed under penalty of perjury in the second degree. Signature ◀ |          |   |        |                            |  |        |    |    | 5  |
|---|---|----------|---|--------|----------------------------|--|--------|----|----|----|
| Name  |   | 1. Gros  | 1. Gross Sales and Services (include bad debts, previously deducted)● (1-4) |        |                            |  |        |    |    |    |
| Due Date CI-CO Code   |   | 2. Ded   | uctions: a. Sales to other lice   |        | 00                         | 17   |        |    |    |    |
| Acct. No.   | Period  | ]20-     | 100 b. Other deductions   | (itemi | zed above)                 |  |        | 00 | '' | ١. |
| Check Here if this is an Amended Return   | • 🗆   |          |   |        | c. Total (add lines 2a & 2 | 2b)  |        |    | 00 |    |
| 3. Net sales: (line 1 minus line 2C)  |   | 00       |   | 00     |                            | 00   |        |    | 00 |    |
| a. Sales out of taxing area   |   | 00       |   | 00     |                            | 00   |        |    | 00 |    |
| b. Exemptions (from schedule)   |   | 00       |   | 00     |                            | 00   |        |    | 00 |    |
| c. Overpayment from previous return   |   | 00       |   | 00     |                            | 00   |        |    | 00 |    |
| 4. Net taxable sales (line 3 minus a,b,& c)   |   | 00       | (4-2)   | 00     | (4-3)                      | 00   | (4-4)  |    | 00 |    |
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| 5. Amount of sales tax  |   | 00       |   | 00     |                            | 00   |        |    | 00 |    |
| 6. Excess tax collected   | (6-1)   | 00       | (6-2)   | 00     | (6-3)                      | 00   | (6-4)  |    | 00 |    |
| 7. Total (add lines 5 & 6)  |   | 00       |   | 00     |                            | 00   |        |    | 00 |    |
| 8. a. Service fee rate  |   |          |   |        | T                          | <u>)                                    </u> |        |    |    |    |
| 8. a. Service fee rate b. Service fee allowed vendor (only if paid on or before due date) | (8-1)   | 00       | (8-2)   | 00     | (8-3)                      | 00   | (8-4)  |    | 00 | ı  |
| 9. Sales tax due (line 7 minus line 8B)   |   | 00       |   | 00     |                            | 00   |        |    | 00 |    |
| 0. Tax on \$  | (10-1)  | 00       | (10-2)  |        | (10-3)                     |  | (10-4) |    | 00 |    |
| 1. Total tax due (add lines 9 & 10)(100)  | 1/77_71   | 00       | (11-2)  | 00     | (11-3)                     |  | (11-4) |    | 00 |    |
| 2. Penalty:(200)  | (12-1)  | 00       | (12-2)  | 00     | (12-3)                     |  | (12-4) |    | 00 |    |
| I3. Monthly interest rate times line 11(300)  | (13-1)  | 00       | (13-2)  | 00     | (13-3)                     | 00   | (13-4) |    | 00 |    |
| 14. Total each tax (add lines 11, 12, & 13)   |   | 00       |   | 00     |                            | 00   |        |    | 00 |    |
| 5. AMOUNT OWED (add all column  | ns on line 14) (See retu  | rn check | policy above)   |        | Paid by EFT                | (355)  | ¢      |    | .0 |    |